



AGENDA

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF MONO STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Teleconference Only - No Physical Location

Special Meeting
April 1, 2020

TELECONFERENCE LOCATIONS:

As authorized by Governor Newsom's Executive Order, N-29-20, dated March 17, 2020, the meeting will be held via teleconferencing with members of the Board attending from separate remote locations. This altered format is in observance of recent recommendations by local officials that certain precautions be taken, including social distancing, to address the threat of COVID-19.

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12:00 PM Call meeting to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

1 OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

on items of public interest that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board.

(The clerk will read comments received via email at this time.)

2. AGENDA ITEMS

A. COVID-19 (Coronavirus) Update

Departments: CAO

(Steve Barwick, CAO) - An opportunity for Mono County Departments and stakeholders to share Coronavirus-related issues with the Board, to include, but not limited to, the Public Health Department and its efforts to provide guidance and mitigation measures to reduce the impact of COVID-19 in Mono County and the Eastern Sierra.

Recommended Action: None, informational only. Provide any desired direction to staff.

Fiscal Impact: None.

B. Impact of COVID-19 (Coronavirus) on Fishing Opener and Fishing Season in Mono County; Letter to State

Departments: Economic Development

45 minutes (15 minute presentation; 30 minute discussion)

(Alicia Vennos, Jeff Simpson) - Discussion regarding the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic, and Governor Newsom's March 19 Executive Order requiring all Californians to stay at home or in their place of residence except as needed to perform essential functions (e.g., buy food or medicine) or to work in sectors deemed essential to maintenance of the nation's critical infrastructure (the "Stay-At-Home" Order), on recreational fishing and fish stocking activities in Mono County; consideration of letter to the Governor and California's Fish and Game Commission requesting alterations to this season's fish stocking/fishing opener, consistent with the Stay-At-Home Order, to protect public health and safety.

Recommended Action: Hear update from Staff and receive public input regarding the upcoming fishing season/stocking in light of COVID-19 and the Governor's "Stay-At-Home" Order. Consider and potentially approve proposed letter to the Governor and the California Fish and Game Commission requesting that fish stocking and/or fishing opener be delayed, consistent with the Stay-At-Home Order, for the protection of public health and safety. Provide any desired direction to staff.

Fiscal Impact: None.

C. Letter From Board of Supervisors to Congressman Cook Requesting Resources

Departments: Board of Supervisors

10 minutes

(Chair Corless) - A letter from the Mono County Board of Supervisors to

Congressman Paul Cook (Congressional District 8) to confirm the need for medical supplies for the local response to the COVID-19 pandemic, and requesting assistance.

Recommended Action: Approve and authorize Board Chair to sign letter.

Fiscal Impact: None.

D. Resolution Requesting a Waiver of the National Registry Test Requirement for Mono County Emergency Medical Technicians

Departments: Board of Supervisors

10 minutes

(Supervisor Stump) - Supervisor Stump has expressed concern that the public health measures taken in response to the COVID-19 pandemic will have the unintended consequence of seriously hampering local first responders' ability to pass the National Registry test to become certified EMTs. The test is notoriously difficult, as evidenced by a high failure rate, and, since being adopted by the State, has already contributed to a significant decrease in local EMT certifications. A resolution has been drafted for the Board's consideration, asking the California Emergency Medical Authority and Inland Counties Emergency Medical Agency to waive the National Registry testing requirement for Inyo County EMTs.

Recommended Action: Adopt proposed resolution R20-___, Requesting a Waiver of the National Registry Test Requirement for Mono County Emergency Medical Technicians.

Fiscal Impact: None.

E. Closed Session - Exposure to Litigation

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION.
Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (d) of Government Code section 54956.9. Number of potential cases: two.

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ADDITIONAL DEPARTMENTS			
TIME REQUIRED		PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE BOARD	Steve Barwick, CAO
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RECOMMENDED ACTION:

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FISCAL IMPACT:

None.

CONTACT NAME: Scheereen Dedman

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3/30/2020 1:41 PM	County Administrative Office	Yes
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FISCAL IMPACT:

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SUBJECT	Letter From Board of Supervisors to Congressman Cook Requesting Resources		

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RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Approve and authorize Board Chair to sign letter.

FISCAL IMPACT:

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SUBJECT	Resolution Requesting a Waiver of the National Registry Test Requirement for Mono County Emergency Medical Technicians		

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RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Adopt proposed resolution R20-___, Requesting a Waiver of the National Registry Test Requirement for Mono County Emergency Medical Technicians.

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**A RESOLUTION OF THE MONO COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS REQUESTING A WAIVER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTRY
TEST REQUIREMENT FOR MONO COUNTY'S EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIANS**

WHEREAS, on March 17, 2020, the County Health Officer declared a local health emergency based on an imminent and proximate threat of conditions of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property within Mono County resulting from the COVID-19 coronavirus; and

WHEREAS, on March 17, 2020, the Board of Supervisors determined the existence of conditions of disaster or extreme peril to the safety of persons and property that are beyond the control of the services, personnel, equipment, and facilities of the County; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors proclaimed that a local emergency now exists throughout Mono County, as defined in Government Code section 8558 and Section 2.56.020 of the Mono County Code; and

WHEREAS, Mono County has been experiencing an extreme shortage of Emergency Medical Technicians (EMTs) for several years; and

WHEREAS, every fire chief in Mono County, and the Mono County Sheriff, have communicated that the unprecedented COVID-19 emergency threatens to unwind the progress made to assist with the ongoing and ever-present EMT shortage in Mono County; and

WHEREAS, local first responders are attending the most recent EMT class, which is more than halfway complete and has moved to an online platform due to the COVID-19 threat; and

WHEREAS, the next steps toward EMT certification – clinical practice and testing – have been canceled in the midst of the COVID-19 emergency; and

WHEREAS, this cancellation puts the first responders at a distinct disadvantage and dramatically reduces their chances of passing the National Registry test, if they're expected to take the exam several months after completion of the class; and

WHEREAS, Mono County has already experienced a significant decrease in local EMT certifications following the State's adoption of the National Registry test, the difficulty of which is evidenced in a high failure rate; and

WHEREAS, Mono County's fire chiefs and the Sheriff have determined that delaying the first responders' ability to take the test by any amount will only add to the County's failure rate and exacerbate a continuing EMT shortage; and

1 **WHEREAS**, Mono County’s fire chiefs and the Sheriff report being close to a breaking point in
2 the shortage prior to the COVID-19 pandemic, and stress the need to ensure the success of future medical
3 responders; and

4 **WHEREAS**, they have determined a waiver of the National Registry testing requirement is an
5 effective way of ensuring that success.

6 **NOW, THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF MONO
7 RESOLVES** that:

8 **SECTION ONE:** Any delay in the testing for the current class of EMT students is detrimental to
9 their success and the effort to solve Mono County’s EMT shortage; and

10 **SECTION TWO:** The Mono County Board of Supervisors formally asks the California
11 Emergency Medical Authority and Inland Counties Emergency Medical Agency to waive the National
12 Registry testing requirement for Mono County EMTs.

13 **PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED** this 1st day of April, 2020, by the following vote, to
14 wit:

15 **AYES:**

16 **NOES:**

17 **ABSENT:**

18 **ABSTAIN:**

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22 Stacy Corless, Chair
23 Mono County Board of Supervisors

24 **ATTEST:**

25 **APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

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27 _____
28 Clerk of the Board

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